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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

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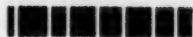
General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. 8th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary-General of his annual report (A/58/1) [10]
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Luiz Inácio Lula Da Silva, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alejandro Toledo Manrique, President of the Republic of Peru
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jacques Chirac, President of the French Republic
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Joseph Urusemal, President of the Federated States of Micronesia
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Pascal Couchepin, President of the Swiss Confederation
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Stjepan Mesic, President of the Republic of Croatia
10. Address by His Majesty Mohammed VI, King of Morocco
11. Opening of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency Mr. Silvio Berlusconi, President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Italy



3 p.m. 9th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Vaira Vike-Freiberga, President of the Republic of Latvia
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Nicanor Duarte Frutos, President of the Republic of Paraguay
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hâmid Karzai, President of Afghanistan
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vladimir Voronin, President of the Republic of Moldova
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alfonso Portillo Cabrera, President of the Republic of Guatemala
7. Address by Her Excellency Ms. Megawati Soekarnoputri, President of the Republic of Indonesia
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
9. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Jean Chrétien, Prime Minister of Canada

Address by His Excellency Mr. José Manuel Durão Barroso, Prime Minister of the Portuguese Republic

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Kenny Davis Anthony, Prime Minister, Minister for Finance, Planning, Information and the Public Service of Saint Lucia

Address by His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait

Address by His Excellency Mr. José María Aznar, President of the Government of the Kingdom of Spain

Belgium

Japan

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor

Investments Committee

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

General Assembly**Fifty-eighth session****High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda]
(29–30 October 2003)****Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables**

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

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Tuesday, 23 September 2003

Arab Group (at the ministerial level)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (on the draft Ministerial Declaration)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/press/conf.htm.

Tuesday, 23 September 2003

Room S-226

- 12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman
- 12.45 p.m. H.E. Mr. Jacques Chirac, President of the French Republic
- 3.50 p.m. H.E. Dr. Nicanor Duarte Frutos, President of the Republic of Paraguay

Participating official meetings

Wednesday, 24 September 2003

General Assembly**Fifty-eighth session**

- 10 a.m. 10th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall
1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique
 2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Enrique Bolaños Geyer, President of the Republic of Nicaragua
 3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Arnold Rüütel, President of the Republic of Estonia
 4. Address by His Excellency Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana
 5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
 6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Lucio Gutiérrez Borbúa, President of the Republic of Ecuador
 7. Address by His Excellency General Pervez Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan
 8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vicente Fox, President of the United Mexican States
 9. Continuation of the general debate [9]
 - Address by His Excellency Mr. Gerhard Schröder, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
 - Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Mesa Gisbert, Constitutional Vice-President of the Republic of Bolivia
 - China
 - Australia

3 p.m. 11th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Domitien Ndayizeye, President of the Republic of Burundi
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Svetozar Marović, President of Serbia and Montenegro
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Boris Trajkovski, President of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leonid Kuchma, President of Ukraine
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdoulaye Wade, President of the Republic of Senegal
6. Address by His Excellency Major-General Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea
8. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and Public Service of the Kingdom of Lesotho

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Saufatu Sopoanga, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Immigration and Labor of Tuvalu

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius

Address by His Excellency Mr. İlham Heydar oğlu Aliyev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Address by Her Excellency Ms. Linnette Saborio, Vice-President of the Republic of Costa Rica

Denmark

Lebanon

Romania

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its first organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/58/CRP.1/Rev.1).

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items from Monday, 6 October, to Friday, 17 October 2003. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Tam Chung; room S-2977E; tel. 1 (212) 963-1901).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; tel. 1 (212) 963-5595).

Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee

The Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda will be as follows: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur; and (b) Organization of work (A/C.4/58/1 and A/C.4/58/L.1).

This Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 6 October 2003 (see document A/C.4/58/L.1) are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay, (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K, fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, 1 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organizations of work as contained in A/C.2/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its general debate on Monday, 6 October 2003 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, *will be open at 10 a.m. on 25 September 2003.*

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

¹ To be issued.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.3/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its consideration of items 107 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly), 108 (Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family) and 109 (Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing), on Monday, 6 October, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee will be open on Monday, 29 September 2003.

¹ To be issued.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The organizational meeting of the main part of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session will be held on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, at 10 a.m., in Conference Room 3. A note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation will be issued shortly as document A/C.5/58/L.1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 (Fifteenth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials)

The Fifteenth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials of the Group of 77 will be held on Wednesday, 24 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Group of 77 (Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting on Thursday, 25 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Briefing on "A New Architecture for Trade Negotiations? Non-Governmental Organizations on the Summit in Cancún and the Group of 21"

There will be a briefing on "A New Architecture for Trade Negotiations? Non-Governmental Organizations on the Summit in Cancún and the Group of 21", co-sponsored by the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (NGLS) and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), on Wednesday, 24 September 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D. The event will be moderated by Mr. Hazem Fahmy, Senior Programme Officer, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Stella Arthur, UN-NGLS (tel. 1 (212) 963-3125; e-mail nxls@un.org).

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61) (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61), organized by the Permanent Mission of China, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education", organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing by Mr. Eduardo A. Doryan, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, and Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, on the results of the meetings of the International Monetary and Financial Committee and the Development Committee, which will be held in Dubai on 21 and 22 September 2003. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Thursday, 25 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop series 2003

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation organize the series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, geared towards all diplomats, which in 2003 is repeated five times. The first four modules of each cycle, focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, which is conducted as an intensive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff, as well as non-governmental organizations.

Cycle 5, the last of this year's series, to be conducted in English, will be held from 2 October to 21 November 2003. For further information, please contact UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-3021).

General Assembly

Statements in the general debate of the plenary

Statements in the general debate of the plenary shall be limited to five minutes. To facilitate the observance of the time limit, a light system installed on the lectern will signal the approach of the five-minute limit.

A minimum of 30 copies of the text of statements to be delivered in the debate in plenary should be submitted in advance to the Secretariat; failing this, delegations are urged to provide interpreters with six copies (for interpretation into the six other official languages) before the speaker takes the floor. If delegations wish to have the text of statements distributed to all delegations, observers, specialized agencies, interpreters, record-writers and press officers, 350 copies are required.

The general debate will be webcast live and archived for on-demand viewing at www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to webcast@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Given the security arrangements in place during the general debate, texts of statements to be made in plenary meetings will have to be delivered to a receiving area in the General Assembly Hall between the hours of 7 and 8.30 a.m. by a delegation representative in possession of a valid grounds pass. Access will be through the 46th Street gate to the Visitors' Entrance, through the electronic screening area and then to the second floor, where a representative of the Secretariat will accept the texts at a special counter. Only texts of statements to be made that same day will be accepted.

Delegations wishing to make their statements available to the press should bring a minimum of 100 copies to the Media Centre, in the first basement, and 100 copies to the documents distribution counter in the third floor press area. No copying facilities will be available for these statements.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-eighth session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A).

Programme of work

Copies of the draft proposed programmes of work of the First Committee and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are available in room S-2977.

Copies of the draft proposed programmes of work of the Second Committee and the Third Committees are available in room S-2950.

Facilities for bilateral consultations

Facilities are available for bilateral consultations during this period. For further information, interested delegations may refer to Note Verbale No. 03-204 or contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (tel. 1 (212) 963-2643).

Security Council**Daily informal briefings**

As from Thursday, 4 September 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Monday, 22 September 2003

Security Council

4832nd (closed) meeting *The situation in Burundi*

Letter dated 17 September 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Burundi addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/900)

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4832nd meeting, held in private on 22 September 2003, the Security Council considered the item entitled "The situation in Burundi".

"His Excellency Mr. Domitien Ndayizeye, President of the Republic of Burundi, was invited, in response to his request, to participate in the discussion, in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

"The Council extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Mr. Alpha Omar Konaré, Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union.

"The Security Council heard statements by His Excellency President Domitien Ndayizeye and His Excellency Mr. Alpha Omar Konaré.

"Members of the Council, President Ndayizeye and Mr. Konaré had a constructive exchange of views."

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

3rd plenary meeting

Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: High-level plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session and the implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/184) [47]

The President made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Right Honourable Owen Arthur, Primer Minister of Barbados; H.E. Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana; H.E. Mr. Abdoulaye Wade, President of the Republic of Senegal; H.E. The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and Public Service of the Kingdom of Lesotho; H.E. Mr. Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, President of the Portuguese Republic; H.E. Mr. Marc Ravalomanana, President of the Republic of Madagascar; H.E. Mr. Leonid Kuchma, President of Ukraine; H.E. Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria; H.E. Mr. Jacques Chirac, President of the French Republic; H.E. General-Major Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria; H.E. Mr. Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique; H.E. Mr. Pascal Couchepin, President of the Swiss Confederation; H.E. Ms. Linnette Saborio, Vice-President of the Republic of Costa Rica; H.E. Dr. Jan Peter Balkenende, Prime Minister and Minister for General Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands; H.E. Mr. Louis Michel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium; H.E. Ms. Lydie Polfer, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Luxembourg; H.E. The Honourable Tom Butime, Minister of State of Uganda; H.E. Mr. Franco Frattini, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy (on behalf of the European Union); H.E. The Honourable Phil Goff, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand (on behalf of the Pacific Islands Forum); H.E. Mr. Jean Ping, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Francophonie of Gabon; H.E. The Honourable Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania; H.E. Dr. Julio Frenk Mora, Minister of Health of Mexico; H.E. Mr. Alexander Downer, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia; H.E. Mr. Kassymzhomart K. Tokaev, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan; H.E. Mr. Habib M'Barek, Minister of Public Health of Tunisia; and H.E. Mr. Humberto Costa, Minister of Health of Brazil.

4th plenary meeting

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Colin Powell, Secretary of State of the United States; H.E. Dr. Kamal Kharrazi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran; H.E. Mr. Achmad Suyudi, Minister of Health and Social Welfare of Indonesia; H.E. Mr. Khurshid Kasuri, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Pakistan; H.E. The Honourable Libertine Amathila, Minister of Health and Social Services of Namibia; H.E. Dr. Manuel Dayrit, Minister of Health of the Philippines; H.E. The Honourable Samuel Rudolph Insanally, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Guyana; H.E. Mr. Mohamed Benaissa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Morocco (on behalf of the Group of 77); H.E. Dr. Per Stig Møller, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark; H.E. Mr. Jón Kristjánsson, Minister of Health and Social Security of Iceland; H.E. Mr. Jan Petersen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Norway; H.E. Mr. Arnold Rüütel, President of the Republic of Estonia; H.E. Mr. Nguyen Dy Nien, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam; H.E. Dr. Manto Tshabalala-Msimang, MP, Minister of Health of South Africa; H.E. Dr. Alvaro Vidal, Minister of Health of Peru (on behalf of the Rio Group); H.E.

Dr. Mustafa Osman Ismail, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan; H.E. Mrs. Maria de Fatima Lima Veiga, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Communities of Cape Verde; H.E. Mr. Wellington Godo, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health of Kenya; H.E. Mr. Jan Karlsson, Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden; H.E. Mr. Brian Cowen, T.D., Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ireland; H.E. Mrs. Benita Ferrero-Waldner, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Austria; H.E. The Honourable Bill Graham, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Canada; H.E. Mr. Alain Bédouma Yoda, Minister of Health of Burkina Faso; H.E. Dr. Dimitrij Rupel, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovenia; H.E. The Honourable Dato' Chua Jui Meng, Minister of Health of Malaysia; H.E. Mr. Urbain Olanguena Awono, Minister of Public Health of Cameroon; H.E. Mrs. Albertina Julia Hamukwaya, Minister of Health of Angola; H.E. Dr. Marcus Bethel, Minister of Health of the Bahamas; H.E. Ms. Uschi Eid, Minister of State for Economic Cooperation of Germany; and H.E. Mrs. Aichatou Mindaoudou, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Niger.

[Note: The summary of the remaining high-level plenary meetings will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2003/183).]

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.
New York, 7 March 1966

Declaration under article 14 (1) of the Convention: Venezuela (22 September 2003)¹

Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Signature: Lithuania (22 September 2003)

Signature: Venezuela (22 September 2003)

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Signature of and deposit of instruments of ratification or accession relating to the above Protocol

United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)

Delegations that intend to sign or deposit instruments of ratification or accession relating to the Optional Protocol during the Focus 2003 Treaty Event are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail untreaty@un.org).

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

It is noted that the Protocol is open for signature by any State that has signed the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. It is further noted that the Protocol is subject to ratification by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention, and is also open to accession by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention.

Treaty event

Focus 2003: Treaties against transnational organized crime and terrorism

United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)

Signature of and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The Treaty Event will take place from today, 23 September, until 26 September 2003 at Headquarters, in a special room located on the ground floor of the General Assembly Building (near the Delegates' Entrance in the Kuwaili boat area).

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 2 April 2003, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those relating to transnational organized crime and terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

Other events

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Ms. Carolyn McAskie, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, will make a presentation on "The United Nations and Humanitarian Action in Today's Crisis Spots".

Web sites

President of the General Assembly:
www.un.org/ga/president

Presidency of the Security Council:
www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency
www.ukun.org
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001)
concerning counter-terrorism:*

www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373

www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorga/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm

www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373

www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373

www.un.org/russian/document/scdocs/committees/1373

www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html

Security Council:

www.un.org/sc

Economic and Social Council:

www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc

Italian presidency of the European Union:

www.italyun.org

<http://europa-eu-un.org>

Journal of the United Nations:

www.un.org/Docs/journal/Ar/latesta.pdf

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A/58/1	Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization — Supplement No. 1 [A C E F R S]
	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
A/58/7/Corr.1	First report on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Supplement No. 7 [A C E F R S]
A/58/17	Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on its thirty-sixth session — 30 June–11 July 2003 — Supplement No. 17 [A C E F R S]

General Assembly**Documents****Fifty-eighth session**

- A/58/250 Organization of the fifty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items — First report of the General Committee [A C E F R S]
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Scheduled official meetings

Wednesday, 24 September 2003

Security Council

9 a.m. 4833rd meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Justice and the rule of law: the United Nations role

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. 9th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Enrique Bolaños Geyer, President of the Republic of Nicaragua
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Arnold Rüütel, President of the Republic of Estonia
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Lucio Gutiérrez Borbúa, President of the Republic of Ecuador
7. Address by His Excellency General Pervez Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vicente Fox, President of the United Mexican States
9. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency Mr. Gerhard Schröder, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany

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Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Mesa Gisbert, Constitutional Vice-President of the Republic of Bolivia

China

Australia

3 p.m. 10th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

- 1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Domitien Ndayizeye, President of the Republic of Burundi**
- 2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Svetozar Marović, President of Serbia and Montenegro**
- 3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Boris Trajkovski, President of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia**
- 4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leonid Kuchma, President of Ukraine**
- 5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Abdoulaye Wade, President of the Republic of Senegal**
- 6. Address by His Excellency Major-General Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo**
- 7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea**
- 8. Continuation of the general debate [9]**

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and Public Service of the Kingdom of Lesotho

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Saufatu Sopoanga, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Immigration and Labor of Tuvalu

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius

Address by His Excellency Mr. İlham Heydar oğlu Aliyev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Address by Her Excellency Ms. Linnette Saborio, Vice-President of the Republic of Costa Rica

Denmark

Lebanon

Romania

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

*High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda]
(29–30 October 2003)*

Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 24 September 2003

Rio Group (National Coordinators)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Rio Group (Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

African Group (Briefing by H.E. Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

African Group (at the ministerial level)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Group of 77 (Fifteenth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) (at the ministerial level)

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC): ASEAN Dialogue (at the ministerial level)

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Briefing on “A New Architecture for Trade Negotiations? Non-Governmental Organizations on the Ministerial Conference in Cancún and the Group of 21”

There will be a briefing on “A New Architecture for Trade Negotiations? Non-Governmental Organizations on the Ministerial Conference in Cancún and the Group of 21”, co-sponsored by the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (NGLS) and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), today, 24 September 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D. The event will be moderated by Mr. Hazem Fahmy, Senior Programme Officer, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Stella Arthur, UN-NGLS (tel. 1 (212) 963-3125; e-mail ngls@un.org).

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/press/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 24 September 2003

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

12.45 p.m. European Union Troika: H.E. Mr. Franco Frattini, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy; H.E. Mr. Chris Patten, External Affairs Commissioner of the European Union; and H.E. Mr. Javier Solana, High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy

2.45 p.m. H.E. General Pervez Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 25 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. 11th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vladimir V. Putin, President of the Russian Federation
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Tassos Papadopoulos, President of the Republic of Cyprus
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Néstor Carlos Kirchner, President of the Argentine Republic
4. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency Mr. Dato' Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Patrick Leclercq, Minister of State, Chief of the Government and Director of External Relations of the Principality of Monaco

Address by His Excellency Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India

Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc Forné Molné, Prime Minister of the Principality of Andorra

Address by His Excellency Mr. Bertie Ahern, T.D., Prime Minister of Ireland

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Edward Fenech Adami, Prime Minister of Malta

Israel

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Sweden

3 p.m. 12th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alfred Moisiu, President of the Republic of Albania
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc Ravalomana, President of the Republic of Madagascar
4. Address by His Excellency Colonel Azali Assoumani, President of the Union of the Comoros
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Blaise Compaoré, President of Burkina Faso
6. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Pierre Charles, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Dominica

Address by His Excellency Mr. Bernard Makusa, Prime Minister of Rwanda

Address by His Excellency Mr. Solomon Ekuma Dominic Berewa, Vice-President of the Republic of Sierra Leone

Republic of Korea

Kazakhstan

Islamic Republic of Iran

Mali

Armenia

Poland

Austria

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its first organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/58/CRP.1/Rev.1).

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items from Monday, 6 October, to Friday, 17 October 2003. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Tam Chung; room S-2977E; tel. 1 (212) 963-1901).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; tel. 1 (212) 963-5595).

Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee

The Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda will be as follows: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur; and (b) Organization of work (A/C.4/58/1 and A/C.4/58/L.1).

This Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 6 October 2003 (see document A/C.4/58/L.1) are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay, (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K, fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, 1 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organizations of work as contained in A/C.2/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its general debate on Monday, 6 October 2003 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, will be open at 10 a.m. on 25 September 2003.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

¹ To be issued.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.3/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its consideration of items 107 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly), 108 (Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family) and 109 (Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing), on Monday, 6 October, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee will be open on Monday, 29 September 2003.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

¹ To be issued.

Fifth Committee

The organizational meeting of the main part of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session will be held on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, at 10 a.m., in Conference Room 3. A note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation will be issued shortly as document A/C.5/58/L.1.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of 77 (Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting on Thursday, 25 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61) (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61), organized by the Permanent Mission of China, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Special briefing on the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus

There will be a special briefing on the main elements and recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General, entitled "Implementation of and follow-up to commitments and agreements made at the International Conference on Financing for Development" (A/58/216), organized by the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4870; e-mail: ffdoffice@un.org).

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education", organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing by Mr. Eduardo A. Doryan, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, and Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, on the results of the meetings of the International Monetary and Financial Committee and the Development Committee, which will be held in Dubai on 21 and 22 September 2003. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Thursday, 25 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop series 2003

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation organize the series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, geared towards all diplomats, which in 2003 is repeated five times. The first four modules of each cycle, focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, which is conducted as an intensive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff, as well as non-governmental organizations.

Cycle 5, the last of this year's series, to be conducted in English, will be held from 2 October to 21 November 2003. For further information, please contact UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-3021).

Announcements**General Assembly***Statements in the general debate of the plenary*

Statements in the general debate of the plenary shall be limited to five minutes. To facilitate the observance of the time limit, a light system installed on the lectern will signal the approach of the five-minute limit.

A minimum of 30 copies of the text of statements to be delivered in the debate in plenary should be submitted in advance to the Secretariat; failing this, delegations are urged to provide interpreters with six copies (for interpretation into the six other official languages) before the speaker takes the floor. If delegations wish to have the text of statements distributed to all delegations, observers, specialized agencies, interpreters, record-writers and press officers, 350 copies are required.

The general debate will be webcast live and archived for on-demand viewing at www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to webcast@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Given the security arrangements in place during the general debate, texts of statements to be made in plenary meetings will have to be delivered to a receiving area in the General Assembly Hall between the hours of 7 and 8.30 a.m. by a delegation representative in possession of a valid grounds pass. Access will be through the 46th

Street gate to the Visitors' Entrance, through the electronic screening area and then to the second floor, where a representative of the Secretariat will accept the texts at a special counter. Only texts of statements to be made that same day will be accepted.

Delegations wishing to make their statements available to the press should bring a minimum of 100 copies to the Media Centre, in the first basement, and 100 copies to the documents distribution counter in the third floor press area. No copying facilities will be available for these statements.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-eighth session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A).

Programme of work

Copies of the draft proposed programmes of work of the First Committee and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are available in room S-2977.

Copies of the draft proposed programmes of work of the Second Committee and the Third Committees are available in room S-2950.

Facilities for bilateral consultations

Facilities are available for bilateral consultations during this period. For further information, interested delegations may refer to Note Verbale No. 03-204 or contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (tel. 1 (212) 963-2643).

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Thursday, 4 September 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Monday, 22 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

5th plenary meeting

Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: High-level plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session and the implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS: report of the Secretary-General (A/58/184) [47]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mrs. Leila Rachid Cowles, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Paraguay; H.E. Mr. Roy Chaderton-Matos, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Venezuela; H.E. Mr. Hillary Benn, Minister of State of the United Kingdom; H.E. Mrs. Ilinka Mitreva, Minister for Foreign Affairs of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; H.E. The Honourable Lesego Ethel Motsumi, Minister of Health of Botswana; H.E. Dr. Ginés González García, Minister of Health of Argentina; and H.E. Mr. Igor Ivanov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

The Secretary-General orally presented the summary of the discussions in the informal interactive panel.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Alhaji Momodu Koroma, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Sierra Leone; H.E. Mr. Erkki Tuomioja, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland; H.E. Mr. George Iacovou, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cyprus; H.E. Mr. Tonino Picula, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia; H.E. Mr. Yashwant Sinha, Minister for External Affairs of India; H.E. Mr. Mizanur Rahman Sinha, Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare of Bangladesh; H.E. Mr. Anastasios Giannitis, Alternate Minister for Foreign Affairs of Greece; H.E. Dr. Christine Nebout Adjobi, Minister in Charge of the Fight Against HIV/AIDS of Côte d'Ivoire; H.E. Mr. Alain Moka, Minister of Health and Population of the Congo; H.E. Mr. Carlos Saavedra Bruno, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship of Bolivia; H.E. The Honourable Ashok Jugnauth, Minister of Health and Quality of Life of Mauritius; H.E. Mr. Mircea Beuran, Minister of Health of Romania; H.E. Ms. Ana Palacio, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain; H.E. Mr. Juozas Olekas, Minister of Health of Lithuania; H.E. Mr. Goran Svilanović, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Serbia and Montenegro; H.E. Dr. Mam Bunheng, Minister of State and Chairman, National AIDS Authority of Cambodia; H.E. The Honourable Tyronne Fernando, M.P., Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka; H.E. The Honourable Roger Boynes, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Trinidad and Tobago; and H.E. Mr. Abubakar Al-Qirbi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Yemen.

6th plenary meeting

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Joe Borg, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Malta; H.E. Mrs. Geneviève Sindabizera, Minister in Charge of the Fight Against AIDS of Burundi; H.E. Mr. Michael Vit, Deputy Minister of Health of the Czech Republic; H.E. Mr. Gao Qiang, Deputy Minister of Health of China; H.E. Mrs. Lidiya Topić, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina; H.E. Dr. Sorajak Kasemsuvan, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand; H.E. Mr. Ichiro Fujisaki, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan; H.E. Mr. Abelardo Moreno, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba; H.E. Mr. Fayssal Mekdad, Chairman of the Delegation of the Syrian Arab Republic; Mr. Aleg Ivanou, Chairman of the Delegation of Belarus; H.E. Mr. Tawfeeq Almansoor, Chairman of the Delegation of

Bahrain; H.E. Mr. Eduardo Sevilla Somoza, Chairman of the Delegation of Nicaragua; H.E. Mr. Lamuel Stanislaus, Chairman of the Delegation of Grenada; Mrs. Anna Marzec-Boguslawska, Director, National AIDS Center and Chairperson of the Delegation of Poland; H.E. Mr. Clifford Sibusiso Mamba, Chairman of the Delegation of Swaziland; H.E. Mr. Luis Gallegos Chiriboga, Chairman of the Delegation of Ecuador; H.E. Mr. Abdul Aziz Al Shamsi, Chairman of the Delegation of the United Arab Emirates; H.E. Mrs. Dolores Balderamos-García, Chairperson of the Delegation, Special Envoy for Children, Gender Affairs and HIV/AIDS, Ministry of Human Development, Local Government and Labour of Belize; H.E. Mr. Isaac Lamba, Chairman of the Delegation of Malawi; H.E. Mr. Alfred Capelle, Chairman of the Delegation of the Marshall Islands; H.E. Mr. Stafford Neil, Chairman of the Delegation of Jamaica; H.E. Mr. Murari Raj Sharma, Chairman of the Delegation of Nepal; Mrs. Susana Rivero, Chairperson of the Delegation of Uruguay; H.E. Mr. Terunch Zenna, Chairman of the Delegation of Ethiopia; Mr. Moon-shik Kim, Director-General of the National Health Institute of the Republic of Korea; H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser, Chairman of the Delegation of Liechtenstein; Ms. Tonka Vurleva, National Coordinator on HIV/AIDS and General Secretary of the National Committee on Prevention of HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Diseases of Bulgaria; Mr. Paul Goa Zoumanigui, Chairman of the Delegation of Guinea; Mr. Ricardo Luque Nuñez, Advisor, Direction of Public Health, Ministry of Social Protection of Colombia; H.E. Mr. Alounkeo Kittikhoun, Chairman of the Delegation of the Lao People's Democratic Republic; H.E. Mr. Ahmed Tahir Baduri, Chairman of the Delegation of Eritrea; H.E. Mr. Jean Alexandre, Chairman of the Delegation of Haiti; Dr. Luis Emilio Montalvo Arzeno, Executive Director, Presidential Council for AIDS and Coordinator of the Country Coordination Mechanism for the Global Fund of the Dominican Republic; H.E. Mr. Boniface Chidyausiku, Chairman of the Delegation of Zimbabwe; H.E. Mr. Marco Antonio Suazo, Chairman of the Delegation of Honduras; H.E. Mr. Agim Nesho, Chairman of the Delegation of Albania; Ms. Anabella Arredondo, Chairman of the Delegation of Chile; H.E. Mr. Joël Adechi, Chairperson of the Delegation of Benin; and Mr. Mwelwa Musambachime, Chairman of the Delegation of Zambia.

In accordance with resolution 57/308 of 22 May 2003, His Eminence Cardinal Claudio Hummes, Archbishop of Sao Paulo, Brazil, of the Observer Delegation of the Holy See, made a statement.

In accordance with resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, H.E. Mr. Juan Manuel Suárez Del Toro, President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, made a statement.

In accordance with resolution 48/265 of 24 August 1994, H.E. Mr. José Antonio Linati-Bosch, Chairman of the Observer Delegation of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, made a statement.

In accordance with resolution 3208 (XXIX) of 11 October 1974, H.E. Mr. John Richardson, Chairman of the Observer Delegation of the European Community, made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded the high-level plenary meetings devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session and the implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and this stage of its consideration of agenda item 47.

Tuesday, 23 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

7th plenary meeting

The President made a statement.

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization: presentation by the Secretary General of his annual report (A/58/1) [1]

The Secretary-General made a presentation of his annual report on the work of the Organization (A/58/1).

Address by H.E. Mr. Luiz Inácio Lula Da Silva, President of Brazil

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Address by H.E. Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America

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Address by H.E. Mr. Alejandro Toledo Manrique, President of the Republic of Peru

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Address by H.E. Mr. Jacques Chirac, President of the French Republic

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Address by H.E. Mr. Joseph Urusemal, President of the Federated States of Micronesia

H.E. Mr. Joseph Urusemal, President of the Federated States of Micronesia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Pascal Couchepin, President of the Swiss Confederation

H.E. Mr. Pascal Couchepin, President of the Swiss Confederation, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa

H.E. Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Stjepan Mesić, President of the Republic of Croatia

H.E. Mr. Stjepan Mesić, President of the Republic of Croatia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Majesty Mohammed VI, King of the Kingdom of Morocco

His Majesty Mohammed VI, King of the Kingdom of Morocco, addressed the General Assembly.

General debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Silvio Berlusconi, President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Italy, addressed the General Assembly.

8th plenary meeting

The summary of the 8th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2003/184).

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child

Thirty-fourth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

Monday, 22 September 2003

900th–901st meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Pakistan (CRC/C/65/Add.21). In accordance with the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Tuesday, 23 September 2003

902nd–903rd meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Madagascar (CRC/C/70/Add.18). In accordance with the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Signature: Croatia (23 September 2003)

Signature: Finland (23 September 2003)

Signature: Mexico (23 September 2003)

Signature: New Zealand (23 September 2003)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Ratification: Norway (23 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Venezuela (23 September 2003)¹

Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Signature: Micronesia (Federated States of) (23 September 2003)

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Final Protocol to the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Signature: Micronesia (Federated States of) (23 September 2003)

Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Signature: Malaysia (23 September 2003)

Signature: Mali (23 September 2003)

Signature: Philippines (23 September 2003)

Signature: Sri Lanka (23 September 2003)

International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Succession: Croatia (23 September 2003)¹

Accession: South Africa (23 September 2003)¹

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Accession: South Africa (23 September 2003)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Accession: Switzerland (23 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Venezuela (23 September 2003)¹

Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994

Accession: Sri Lanka (23 September 2003)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Ratification: Switzerland (23 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Venezuela (23 September 2003)¹

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Declaration in respect of Hong Kong and Macao: China (23 September 2003)¹

Ratification: China (23 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Norway (23 September 2003)¹

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Norway (23 September 2003)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Norway (23 September 2003)¹

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001

Ratification: Norway (23 September 2003)¹

Accession: Peru (23 September 2003)¹

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Signature: Croatia (23 September 2003)

Amendments to the Constitution of the Asia-Pacific Telecommunity. New Delhi, 23 October 2002

Acceptance: Republic of Korea (23 September 2003)¹

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Ratification: New Zealand (23 September 2003)¹

Territorial exclusion: New Zealand (exclusion: Tokelau Islands) (23 September 2003)¹

Regulation No. 115. Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. Specific LPG (Liquefied Petroleum Gases) retrofit systems to be installed in motor vehicles for the use of LPG in their propulsion systems; II. Specific CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) retrofit systems to be installed in motor vehicles for the use of CNG in their propulsion systems. 30 October 2003

Notification of disagreement under article 1(2) of the Agreement: Australia (23 September 2003)¹

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Signature of and deposit of instruments of ratification or accession relating to the above Protocol

United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)

Delegations that intend to sign or deposit instruments of ratification or accession relating to the Optional Protocol during the Focus 2003 Treaty Event are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail untreaty@un.org).

It is noted that the Protocol is open for signature by any State that has signed the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. It is further noted that the Protocol is subject to ratification by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention, and is also open to accession by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention.

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Treaty event**Focus 2003: Treaties against transnational organized crime and terrorism****United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)***Signature of and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General*

The Treaty Event will take place until 26 September 2003 at Headquarters, in a special room located on the ground floor of the General Assembly Building (near the Delegates' Entrance in the Kuwaiti boat area).

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 2 April 2003, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those relating to transnational organized crime and terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

Other announcements**Women's International Forum**

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Ms. Carolyn McAskie, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, will make a presentation on "The United Nations and Humanitarian Action in Today's Crisis Spots".

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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 23 September 2003.

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
General Assembly	Documents
	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/216	Item 106 of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development — Implementation of and follow-up to commitments and agreements made at the International Conference on Financing for Development — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/233	Request for the inclusion of an additional item in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session — Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/266	Item 119 (b) of the provisional agenda — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/354	Item 7 of the provisional agenda — Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/58/1

Allocation of agenda items to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) — Letter dated 19 September 2003 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]

Tenth emergency special session

A/ES-10/L.12/Add.1

Item 5 — 28-Power draft resolution — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory [A C E F R S]

Security Council**Documents**

S/Agenda/4832

Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

**Convention on the Elimination of All
Forms of Discrimination against Women****Documents****Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Twenty-ninth session**

CEDAW/C/2003/II/INF/1

List of participants [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

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Statement of Treaties and International Agreements — Registered or filed and recorded with the Secretariat during the month of August 2003 [E F (bilingual)]

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* may be sent to room S-2370 (tel. 1 (212) 963-6776 and 963-3888; fax 1 (212) 963-4790; e-mail journal@un.org).

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Thursday, 25 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10 a.m. 11th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Tassos Papadopoulos, President of the Republic of Cyprus
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vladimir V. Putin, President of the Russian Federation
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Néstor Carlos Kirchner, President of the Argentine Republic
4. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency Dato' Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia

Address by His Excellency Mr. Patrick Leclercq, Minister of State, Chief of the Government and Director of External Relations of the Principality of Monaco

(continued overleaf)

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Justice and the Rule of Law: The United Nations Role". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from today, 25 September, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

All members of the United Nations and other entities of the United Nations system with relevant expertise are invited to contribute to this process of reflection and analysis.



Address by His Excellency Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India

Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc Forné Molné, Prime Minister of the Principality of Andorra

Address by His Excellency Mr. Bertie Ahern, T.D., Prime Minister of Ireland

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Edward Fenech Adami, Prime Minister of Malta

Israel

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Sweden

3 p.m. 12th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alfred Moisiu, President of the Republic of Albania
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Marc Ravalomana, President of the Republic of Madagascar
4. Address by His Excellency Colonel Azali Assoumani, President of the Union of the Comoros
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Blaise Compaoré, President of Burkina Faso
6. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Pierre Charles, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Dominica

Address by His Excellency Mr. Bernard Makusa, Prime Minister of Rwanda

Address by His Excellency Mr. Solomon Ekuma Dominic Berewa, Vice-President of the Republic of Sierra Leone

Republic of Korea

Kazakhstan

Islamic Republic of Iran

Mali

Armenia

Poland

Austria

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Mission in Côte d'Ivoire (MINUCI)
2. Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission for 2003

General Assembly**Fifty-eighth session****High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda]
(29–30 October 2003)****Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round tables**

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

Other meetings

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Thursday, 25 September 2003

Group of 77 (Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Second Meeting of Commonwealth Ministers for Foreign Affairs

2–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
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From conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/pressg/conf.htm.

Thursday, 25 September 2003

Room S-226

- 10.30 a.m. H.E. Dr. Nkosazana C. Dlamini Zuma, Minister for Foreign Affairs of South Africa; H.E. Mr. Yashwant Sinha, Minister for Foreign Affairs of India; and H.E. Mr. Celso Luiz Nunes Amorim, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brazil
- 11.30 a.m. H.E. Mr. Tassos Papadopoulos, President of the Republic of Cyprus
- 12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman
- 12.30 p.m. H.E. Dato' Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia
- 5 p.m. H.E. Mr. Donald C. McKinnon, Commonwealth Secretary-General; H.E. Mr. Oluyemi Adeniji, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nigeria; and H.E. Mr. Alexander Downer, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 26 September 2003

General Assembly**Fifty-eighth session**

- 10 a.m. 13th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall
1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Janez Drnovsek, President of the Republic of Slovenia
 2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ricardo Maduro, President of the Republic of Honduras
 3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, President of the Republic of Haiti
 4. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, President of the Republic of the Philippines
 5. Continuation of the general debate [9]
 - Address by His Royal Highness Prince 'Ulukalala Lavaka Ata, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Tonga
 - Address by His Excellency The Honourable Ranil Wickremesinghe, MP, Prime Minister of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka
 - Address by His Excellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Independent State of Samoa
 - Bahrain

Turkmenistan

Cuba

Greece

Yemen

3 p.m. 14th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of Zimbabwe

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Turkey

New Zealand

Qatar

Barbados

Netherlands

United Arab Emirates

Tunisia

Viet Nam

Gabon

Iceland

San Marino

Botswana

Chile

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its first organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/58/CRP.1/Rev.1).

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items from Monday, 6 October, to Friday, 17 October 2003. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Tam Chung; room S-2977E; tel. 1 (212) 963-1901).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; tel. 1 (212) 963-5595).

Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee

The Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda will be as follows: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur; and (b) Organization of work (A/C.4/58/1 and A/C.4/58/L.1).

This Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 6 October 2003 (see document A/C.4/58/L.1) are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay, (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K, fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, 1 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organizations of work as contained in A/C.2/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its general debate on Monday, 6 October 2003 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, will be open *today*, 25 September, at 10 a.m.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

¹ To be issued.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.3/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its consideration of items 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly), 106 (Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family) and 107 (Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing), on Monday, 6 October, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee will be open on Monday, 29 September 2003.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

¹ To be issued.

Fifth Committee

The organizational meeting of the main part of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session will be held on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, at 10 a.m., in Conference Room 3. A note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation will be issued shortly as document A/C.5/58/L.1.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.6/58/L.1. The meeting will be followed in the same room by a meeting of the Working Group on an International Convention against the Reproductive Cloning of Human Beings.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Commonwealth Committee on Terrorism

The Commonwealth Committee on Terrorism will hold a closed meeting on Friday, 26 September 2003, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Organization of the Islamic Conference

The Committee on Palestine of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a closed meeting (*at the ministerial level*) on Friday, 26 September 2003, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

The Ad Hoc Committee on Afghanistan of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a closed meeting (*at the ministerial level*) on Friday, 26 September 2003, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

The Contact Group on Somalia of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a closed meeting (*at the ministerial level*) on Friday, 26 September 2003, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Community of Democracies Convening Group (*at the ministerial level*)

There will be a meeting of the Community of Democracies Convening Group (*at the ministerial level*) on Friday, 26 September 2003, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61) (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61), organized by the Permanent Mission of China, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Special briefing on the report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus

There will be a special briefing on the main elements and recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General, entitled "Implementation of and follow-up to commitments and agreements made at the International Conference on Financing for Development" (A/58/216), organized by the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4870; e-mail: ffdoffice@un.org).

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (Fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting)

The Fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries will take place on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education", organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing by Mr. Eduardo A. Doryan, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, and Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, on the results of the meetings of the International Monetary and Financial Committee and the Development Committee (Dubai, 21-22 September 2003). This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is *today*, 25 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop series on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation organize the series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, geared towards all diplomats, which in 2003 is repeated five times. The first four modules of each cycle, focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, which is conducted as an intensive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information

technology and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff, as well as non-governmental organizations.

Cycle 5, the last of this year's series, to be conducted in English, will be held from 2 October to 21 November 2003. For further information, please contact UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-3021).

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing an English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 6 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 7 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 8 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 1 October 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

General Assembly

Statements in the general debate of the plenary

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a 15-minute time limit should be observed. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

The general debate will be webcast live and archived for on-demand viewing at www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to webcast@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Facilities for bilateral consultations

Facilities are available for bilateral consultations during this period. For further information, interested delegations may refer to Note Verbale No. 03-204 or contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (tel. 1 (212) 963-2643).

Security Council**Daily informal briefings**

As from Thursday, 4 September 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 23 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

8th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mrs. Vaira Vike-Freiberga, President of the Republic of Latvia

H.E. Mrs. Vaira Vike-Freiberga, President of Latvia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Nicanor Duarte Frutos, President of the Republic of Paraguay

H.E. Mr. Nicanor Duarte Frutos, President of the Republic of Paraguay, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Hâmid Karzai, President of Afghanistan

H.E. Mr. Hâmid Karzai, President of Afghanistan, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Vladimir Voronin, President of the Republic of Moldova

H.E. Mr. Vladimir Voronin, President of the Republic of Moldova, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador

H.E. Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Alfonso Portillo Cabrera, President of the Republic of Guatemala

H.E. Mr. Alfonso Portillo Cabrera, President of the Republic of Guatemala, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Ms. Megawati Soekarnoputri, President of the Republic of Indonesia

H.E. Ms. Megawati Soekarnoputri, President of the Republic of Indonesia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President of Nigeria

H.E. Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo, President of Nigeria, addressed the General Assembly.

General debate [9]

Statements were made by H.E. The Right Honourable Jean Chrétien, Prime Minister of Canada; H.E. Mr. José Manuel Durão Barroso, Prime Minister of the Portuguese Republic; H.E. The Honourable Kenny Davis Anthony, Prime Minister, Minister for Finance, Planning, Information and the Public Service of Saint Lucia; H.H. Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Primer Minister of Kuwait; H.E. Mr. Louis Michel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium; H.E. Mr. José María Aznar, President of the Government of Spain; and H.E. Mrs. Yoriko Kawaguchi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan.

Wednesday, 24 September 2003

Security Council

4833rd meeting

Justice and the Rule of Law: The United Nations Role

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The President made an introductory statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Pakistan, His Excellency Mr. Khurshid M. Kasuri; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, His Excellency Mr. Igor S. Ivanov; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of France, His Excellency Mr. Dominique Galouzeau de Villepin; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of China, His Excellency Mr. Li Zhaoxing; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mexico, His Excellency Mr. Luis Ernesto Derbez; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Syrian Arab Republic, His Excellency Mr. Farouk Al-Shara'; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria, His Excellency Mr. Solomon Passy; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Guinea, His Excellency Mr. François Lonsény Fall; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Spain, Her Excellency Ms. Ana Palacio; the Permanent Representative of Germany, His Excellency Mr. Gunter Pleuger; the Permanent Representative of Angola, His Excellency Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins; the Permanent Representative of Cameroon, His Excellency Mr. Martin Belinga-Eboutou; the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United States of America, His Excellency Mr. James B. Cunningham; and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chile, Her Excellency Ma. Soledad Alvear; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, His Excellency The Right Honourable Jack Straw, M.P.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2003/15).

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

9th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of Mozambique

H.E. Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of Mozambique, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by Mr. Enrique Bolaños Geyer, President of the Republic of Nicaragua

H.E. Mr. Enrique Bolaños, President of the Republic of Nicaragua, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Arnold Rüütel, President of the Republic of Estonia

H.E. Mr. Arnold Rüütel, President of the Republic of Estonia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana

H.E. Mr. John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Bouteflika, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Lucio Gutiérrez Borbúa, President of the Republic of Ecuador

H.E. Mr. Lucio Gutiérrez Borbúa, President of the Republic of Ecuador, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. General Pervez Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

H.E. General Pervez Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Vicente Fox, President of the United Mexican States

H.E. Mr. Vicente Fox, President of the United Mexican States, addressed the General Assembly.

General debate [9]

Statements were made by: H.E. Mr. Gerhard Schröder, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany; H.E. Mr. Carlos Mesa Gisbert, Constitutional Vice President of the Republic of Bolivia; H.E. Mr. Li Zhaoxing, Minister for Foreign Affairs of China; and H.E. The Honourable Alexander Downer, M.P., Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia.

10th plenary meeting

The summary of the 10th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2003/185).

Convention on the Rights of the Child**Committee on the Rights of the Child**

Thirty-fourth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

Wednesday, 24 September 2003

904th–905th meetings (closed)

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee considered the item.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]***Amendment to article 43 (2) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 12 December 1995**Acceptance:* Belarus (23 September 2003)¹*International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 16 December 1966**Ratification:* Turkey (23 September 2003)¹*International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966**Ratification:* Turkey (23 September 2003)¹*Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000**Accession:* Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹*Signature:* Armenia (24 September 2003)*Signature:* Botswana (24 September 2003)*Signature:* Estonia (24 September 2003)*Signature:* Ghana (24 September 2003)*Ratification:* Lesotho (24 September 2003)¹¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Signature: Armenia (24 September 2003)

Accession: Botswana (24 September 2003)¹

Signature: Estonia (24 September 2003)

Signature: Ghana (24 September 2003)

Ratification: Lesotho (24 September 2003)¹

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Signature: Iceland (24 September 2003)

Signature: Madagascar (24 September 2003)

Signature: Malta (24 September 2003)

Ratification: Malta (24 September 2003)¹

Signature: Norway (24 September 2003)

Signature: Romania (24 September 2003)

Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Signature: Ghana (24 September 2003)

Signature: Lesotho (24 September 2003)

Signature: Mauritius (24 September 2003)

Final Protocol to the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Signature: Ghana (24 September 2003)

Signature: Lesotho (24 September 2003)

Signature: Mauritius (24 September 2003)

Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Signature: Jamaica (24 September 2003)

Signature: Madagascar (24 September 2003)

Ratification: Malta (24 September 2003)¹

United Nations Convention on the Assignment of Receivables in International Trade. New York, 12 December 2001

Signature: Madagascar (24 September 2003)

International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Accession: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Madagascar (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Nicaragua (24 September 2003)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Accession: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Madagascar (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Malaysia (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Mauritius (24 September 2003)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Accession: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Madagascar (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Malaysia (24 September 2003)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Accession: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Madagascar (24 September 2003)¹

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Lesotho (24 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Malta (24 September 2002)¹

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Lesotho (24 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Malta (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Mauritius (24 September 2003)¹

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Malta (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Mauritius (24 September 2003)¹

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001

Accession: Lesotho (24 September 2003)¹

Accession: Mauritius (24 September 2003)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Convention on the Recovery Abroad of Maintenance. New York, 20 June 1956

Designation of authorities under article 2 (1)(2): Czech Republic (24 September 2003)¹

Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards. New York, 10 June 1958

Accession: Nicaragua (24 September 2003)¹

Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Kyoto, 11 December 1997

Accession: Madagascar (24 September 2003)¹

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Accession: Jamaica (24 September 2003)¹

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Accession: Jamaica (24 September 2003)¹

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction. Geneva, 3 September 1992

Ratification: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Signature: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)

Ratification: Afghanistan (24 September 2003)¹

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Signature of and deposit of instruments of ratification or accession relating to the above Protocol

United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)

Delegations that intend to sign or deposit instruments of ratification or accession relating to the Optional Protocol during the Focus 2003 Treaty Event are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail untreaty@un.org).

It is noted that the Protocol is open for signature by any State that has signed the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. It is further noted that the Protocol is subject to ratification by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention, and is also open to accession by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention.

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant document.

Treaty event**Focus 2003: Treaties against transnational organized crime and terrorism****United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)***Signature of and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General*

The Treaty Event will take place until 26 September 2003 at Headquarters, in a special room located on the ground floor of the General Assembly Building (near the Delegates' Entrance in the Kuwaiti boat area).

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 2 April 2003, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those relating to transnational organized crime and terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

Other announcements**DPI/NGO briefing**

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Mainstreaming Ageing: Forging Links between Madrid Plan of Action and the Millennium Development Goals", in observance of the International Day of Older People. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 10 to 11.20 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications, will be the moderator. Ms. Alejandra Marta Ayuso, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, and Ms. Eveline L. Herfkens, Executive Coordinator for the Millennium Development Goals, will be the keynote speakers. A panel discussion on the topic of "Relating the Madrid Plan of Action to the Millennium Development Process" will be held from 11.25 a.m. to 12.25 p.m., as a second part of the programme. The participants will be Mr. Johan Schlovnik, Director, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (as moderator); and Ms. Sonia Elliot, Liaison Officer, UNAIDS, Prof. Naomi Woronov, Author, Director, Community Colleges in China Project; Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, Senior Advisor, Office of the Managing Director, World Bank; Mr. Gaoussou Traoré, Social Action Manager, Ministry of Social Development, Solidarity and Older Persons, Mali; and Mr. Alexandre Sidorenko, Chief, Programme on Ageing, DESA. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatshahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Ms. Carolyn McAskie, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, will make a presentation on "The United Nations and Humanitarian Action in Today's Crisis Spots".

Web sites

President of the General Assembly:
www.un.org/ga/president

Presidency of the Security Council:
www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency
www.ukun.org
www.un.org/french/docs/sc/presidency/

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm
www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373
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www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html

Security Council:
www.un.org/sc

Economic and Social Council:
www.un.org/esa/coordination/ecosoc

Italian presidency of the European Union:
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Journal of the United Nations:
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Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on 24 September 2003.

<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Main title</i>
General Assembly	Documents
	Fifty-eighth session
A/58/234	Request for the inclusion of an additional item in the agenda of the fifty-eighth session — Admission of the International Criminal Court to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund — Letter dated 16 September 2003 from the Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]
A/58/253	Item 111 of the provisional agenda — International drug control — Quinquennial evaluation of the implementation of the outcome of the twentieth special session of the General Assembly devoted to countering the world drug problem together — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/305	Item 101 (b) of the provisional agenda — Training and research: United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy — Report of the Director of the United Nations System Staff College on its work, activities and accomplishments — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/309	Item 119 (b) of the provisional agenda — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Human rights and cultural diversity — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/313	Item 117 (a) of the provisional agenda — Elimination of racism and racial discrimination — The fight against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/58/1	Allocation of agenda items to the Fifth Committee — Letter dated 19 September 2003 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/C.5/58/2	Item 12 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Delegation of formal authority in matters of personnel of the United Nations Population Fund — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/C.5/58/2/Corr.1	Item 12 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Delegation of formal authority in matters of personnel of the United Nations Population Fund — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]



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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

Friday, 26 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

- 10 a.m. 13th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall
1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Janez Drnovsek, President of the Republic of Slovenia
 2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ricardo Maduro, President of the Republic of Honduras
 3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, President of the Republic of Haiti
 4. Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, President of the Republic of the Philippines

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Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Justice and the Rule of Law: The United Nations Role". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; tel. 1 (212) 963-5263), as from Thursday, 25 September 2003, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

All members of the United Nations and other entities of the United Nations system with relevant expertise are invited to contribute to this process of reflection and analysis.



5. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Royal Highness Prince 'Ulukalala Lavaka Ata, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Tonga

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Ranil Wickremesinghe, M.P. Prime Minister of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Independent State of Samoa

Bahrain

Turkmenistan

Cuba

Greece

Yemen

3 p.m. 14th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of Zimbabwe

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Turkey

New Zealand

Qatar

Barbados

Netherlands

United Arab Emirates

Tunisia

Viet Nam

Gabon

Iceland

San Marino

Botswana

Chile

Venezuela

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Information and Communication Technology Strategy: implementation of General
Assembly resolution 57/304 of 15 April 2003

Security Council**Military Staff Committee**

11 a.m.–1 p.m. 1518th meeting (closed) Conference Room 9

General Assembly**Fifty-eighth session**

*High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development [106 (b) of the provisional agenda]
(29–30 October 2003)*

*Inscriptions for Member States wishing to participate in the ministerial-level round
tables*

Delegations wishing to participate in any of eight ministerial-level round tables to be held in the context of the High-level Dialogue, on Wednesday, 29 October 2003, are kindly requested to come in person to the List of Speakers area of the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940) to inscribe.

Delegations are reminded that the list of participants in the round tables will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, and that each round table may have a maximum of 7 participants from African States, 7 participants from Asian States, 3 participants from Eastern European States, 5 participants from Latin American and Caribbean States and 4 participants from Western European and other States. Member States that are not members of any regional group may participate in the round tables (resolution 57/250 of 20 December 2002 and letter from the President of the General Assembly to Member States dated 7 May 2003, on organizational matters).

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Friday, 26 September 2003

Commonwealth Committee on Terrorism

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Non-Aligned Movement (Ministerial Meeting)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Organization of the Islamic Conference**Committee on Palestine (at the ministerial level)**

10–11.30 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Ad Hoc Committee on Afghanistan (at the ministerial level)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Contact Group on Somalia (at the ministerial level)

4.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Rio Group**Meeting with the Gulf Cooperation Council**

11.45 a.m.–12.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Meeting with H.E. Mr. Yashwant Sinha, Minister for Foreign Affairs of India

12.30–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Meeting with H.E. Mr. Li Zhaoxing, Minister for Foreign Affairs of China

3–3.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Meeting with the Economic Commission for Latin American and Caribbean (ECLAC), the Latin American Economic System (LAES) and the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI)

4.30–5.15 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Community of Democracies Convening Group (at the ministerial level)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/press/conf.htm.

Friday, 26 September 2003

Conference Room 4

11.15 a.m. Middle East Quartet: Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General; H.E. Mr. Colin Powell, Secretary of States of the United States; European Union delegation: H.E. Mr. Franco Frattini, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy (presidency of the European Union); H.E. Mr. Chris Patten, External Relations Commissioner of the European Commission; and H.E. Mr. Javier Solana, European Union High Representative for a Common Foreign and Security Policy

Room S-226

Guests at noon. Mr. Hans Corell, Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs; and Mr. Antonio María Costa, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (on treaties against transnational organized crime and terrorism)

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 29 September 2003

General Assembly**Fifty-eighth session**

10 a.m. 15th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Dragan Cović, Chairman of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Natsagiin Bagabandi, President of Mongolia
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]

Syrian Arab Republic

Czech Republic

Myanmar

Egypt

Saudi Arabia

Liechtenstein

Maldives

Mauritania

Palestine

3 p.m. 16th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]

Address by His Excellency The Most Honourable Percival James Patterson, M.P.,
Prime Minister and Minister for Defence of Jamaica

Address by His Excellency Mr. Mari Alkatiri, Prime Minister of the Democratic
Republic of Timor-Leste

Bangladesh

Saint Kitts and Nevis

Cape Verde

Panama

Sudan

Jordan

Singapore

Gambia

Nepal

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its first organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider and approve its programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/58/CRP.1/Rev.1).

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items from Monday, 6 October, to Friday, 17 October 2003. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Tam Chung; room S-2977E; tel. 1 (212) 963-1901).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; tel. 1 (212) 963-5595).

Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee

The Special Political and Decolonization (Fourth) Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda will be as follows: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur; and (b) Organization of work (A/C.4/58/1 and A/C.4/58/L.1).

This Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 6 October 2003, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 6 October 2003 (see document A/C.4/58/L.1) are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay, (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K, fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, 1 October 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organizations of work as contained in A/C.2/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its general debate on Monday, 6 October 2003 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

¹ To be issued.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.3/58/L.1¹.

The Committee will also begin its consideration of items 105 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly), 106 (Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family) and 107 (Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing), on Monday, 6 October, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee will be open on Monday, 29 September 2003.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

¹ To be issued.

Fifth Committee

The organizational meeting of the main part of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session will be held on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, at 10 a.m., in Conference Room 3. A note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation will be issued shortly as document A/C.5/58/L.1.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 29 September 2003, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.6/58/L.1. The meeting will be followed in the same room by a meeting of the Working Group on an International Convention against the Reproductive Cloning of Human Beings.

Economic and Social Council

Open-ended Working Group on Informatics: Technical Subgroup

The next meeting of the Technical Subgroup of the Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will take place on Wednesday, 15 October 2003, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of H.E. Miss June Yvonne Clarke (Barbados).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Organization of the Islamic Conference

The Contact Group of Sierra Leone of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a closed meeting (*at the ministerial level*) on Monday, 29 September 2003, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

The Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir of the Organization of the Islamic Conference will hold a closed meeting (*at the ministerial level*) on Monday, 29 September 2003, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 (*on Fifth Committee matters*) on Monday, 29 September 2003, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61) (organized by the Permanent Mission of China)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing Capacity-building of Global Public Health" (item 61), organized by the Permanent Mission of China, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Special briefing on the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus

There will be a special briefing on the main elements and recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General, entitled "Implementation of and follow-up to commitments and agreements made at the International Conference on Financing for Development" (A/58/216), organized by the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Financing for Development Office, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-4870; e-mail: ffdoffice@un.org).

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (Fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting)

The Fourth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries will take place on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia)

There will be open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "International Year of Sport and Physical Education", organized by the Permanent Mission of Tunisia, on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

United Nations Development Programme

The first briefing of the consultation process with United Nations Development Programme Member States on the *Human Development Report 2004* will be held on Wednesday, 1 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

UNITAR briefing

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing by Mr. Eduardo A. Doryan, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, and Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, on the results of the meetings of the International Monetary and Financial Committee and the Development Committee (Dubai, 21-22 September 2003). This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshop series on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation organize the series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, geared towards all diplomats, which in 2003 is repeated five times. The first four modules of each cycle, focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, which is conducted as an intensive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff, as well as non-governmental organizations.

Cycle 5, the last of this year's series, to be conducted in English, will be held from 2 October to 21 November 2003. For further information, please contact UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-3021).

**Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee)
(organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands)**

Open-ended informal consultations on a draft resolution on violence against women (Third Committee), organized by the Permanent Mission of the Netherlands, will be held on Tuesday, 7 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing an English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 6 October 2003, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 7 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 8 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 1 October 2003. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

General Assembly

Statements in the general debate of the plenary

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a 15-minute time limit should be observed. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

The general debate will be webcast live and archived for on-demand viewing at www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to webcast@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Facilities for bilateral consultations

Facilities are available for bilateral consultations during this period. For further information, interested delegations may refer to Note Verbale No. 03-204 or contact the Meetings Servicing Unit (tel. 1 (212) 963-2643).

Security Council**Daily informal briefings**

As from Thursday, 4 September 2003, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 24 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

10th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Domitien Ndayizeye, President of the Republic of Burundi

H.E. Mr. Domitien Ndayizeye, President of the Republic of Burundi, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Svetozar Marović, President of Serbia and Montenegro

H.E. Mr. Svetozar Marović, President of Serbia and Montenegro, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Boris Trajkovski, President of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

H.E. Mr. Boris Trajkovski, President of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Leonid Kuchma, President of Ukraine

H.E. Mr. Leonid Kuchma, President of Ukraine, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Abdoulaye Wade, President of Senegal

H.E. Mr. Abdoulaye Wade, President of Senegal, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Major-General Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo

H.E. Major-General Joseph Kabila, President of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

H.E. Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

Statements were made by H.E. The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and Public Service of the Kingdom of Lesotho; H.E. The Honourable Saufatu Sopoanga, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Immigration and Labour of Tuvalu; H.E. The Right Honourable Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister of the Republic of Mauritius; H.E. Mr. İlham Heydar oğlu Aliyev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Azerbaijan; H.E. Ms. Linnette Saborio, Vice-President of the Republic of Costa Rica; H.E. Mr. Per Stig Moeller, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark; H.E. Mr. Jean Obeid, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Emigrants of Lebanon; and H.E. Mr. Mircea Geoana, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Romania.

Statements in the exercise of the right of the reply were made by the representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan, Chile and Bolivia.

Thursday, 25 September 2003

General Assembly

Fifty-eighth session

11th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Tassos Papadopoulos, President of the Republic of Cyprus

H.E. Mr. Tassos Papadopoulos, President of the Republic of Cyprus, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Vladimir V. Putin, President of the Russian Federation

H.E. Mr. Vladimir V. Putin, President of the Russian Federation, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Néstor Carlos Kirchner, President of the Argentine Republic

H.E. Mr. Néstor Carlos Kirchner, President of the Argentine Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

Statements were made by H.E. Dato' Seri Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia; H.E. Mr. Patrick Leclercq, Minister of State, Chief of the Government and Director of External Relations of the Principality of Monaco; H.E. Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India; H.E. Mr. Marc Forné Molné, Prime Minister of the Principality of Andorra; H.E. Mr. Bertie Ahern, T.D., Prime Minister of Ireland; H.E. The Honourable Edward Fenech Adami, Prime Minister of Malta; H.E. Mr. Silvan Shalom, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Israel; H.E. The Right Honourable Jack Straw, M.P., Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom; and H.E. Mr. Jan O. Karlsson, Minister for Development Cooperation, Migration and Asylum Policy and Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden.

12th plenary meeting

The summary of the 12th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2003/186).

Convention on the Rights of the Child**Committee on the Rights of the Child**

Thirty-fourth session

United Nations Office at Geneva

Thursday, 25 September 2003906th–907th meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Brunei Darussalam (CRC/C/61/Add.5). In accordance with the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Declaration under article 22: Guatemala (25 September 2003)¹

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Signature: Austria (25 September 2003)

Signature: Guatemala (25 September 2003)

Signature: Serbia and Montenegro (25 September 2003)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Ratification: Argentina (25 September 2003)¹

Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Signature: Benin (25 September 2003)

Signature: Indonesia (25 September 2003)

Signature: Nigeria (25 September 2003)

Final Protocol to the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Signature: Benin (25 September 2003)

Signature: Indonesia (25 September 2003)

Signature: Nigeria (25 September 2003)

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

*Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003**Signature: Argentina (25 September 2003)**Signature: Chile (25 September 2003)**Signature: Guatemala (25 September 2003)**Signature: Samoa (25 September 2003)**Signature: Slovenia (25 September 2003)**Signature: Tonga (25 September 2003)**Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991**Acceptance: Ireland (25 September 2003)¹**International Convention against the taking of hostages. New York, 17 December 1979**Accession: Comoros (25 September 2003)¹**Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994**Accession: Lebanon (25 September 2003)¹**Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973**Accession: Comoros (25 September 2003)¹**International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997**Ratification: Argentina (25 September 2003)¹**Ratification: Comoros (25 September 2003)¹**Ratification: Slovenia (25 September 2003)¹**International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999**Ratification: Comoros (25 September 2003)¹*

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Accession: Comoros (25 September 2003)¹

Ratification: Guatemala (25 September 2003)¹

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Signature: Greece (25 September 2003)

Signature: Slovenia (25 September 2003)

Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Seabed Authority. Kingston, 27 March 1998

Accession: Austria (25 September 2003)¹

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Ratification: Greece (25 September 2003)¹

Accession: Turkey (25 September 2003)¹

Amendment to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III). Geneva, 21 December 2001

Acceptance: Austria (25 September 2003)¹

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Signature of and deposit of instruments of ratification or accession relating to the above Protocol

United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)

Delegations that intend to sign or deposit instruments of ratification or accession relating to the Optional Protocol during the Focus 2003 Treaty Event are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail untreaty@un.org).

It is noted that the Protocol is open for signature by any State that has signed the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. It is further noted that the Protocol is subject to ratification by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention, and is also open to accession by any State that has ratified or acceded to the Convention.

Treaty event**Focus 2003: Treaties against transnational organized crime and terrorism****United Nations Headquarters (23–26 September 2003)***Signature of and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General*

The Treaty Event will take place until today, 26 September 2003 at Headquarters, in a special room located on the ground floor of the General Assembly Building (near the Delegates' Entrance in the Kuwaiti boat area).

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 2 April 2003, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those relating to transnational organized crime and terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to promptly arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities.

Other announcements**Women's International Forum**

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 30 September 2003, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Ms. Carolyn McAskie, Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, will make a presentation on "The United Nations and Humanitarian Action in Today's Crisis Spots".

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "Mainstreaming Ageing: Forging Links between Madrid Plan of Action and the Millennium Development Goals", in observance of the International Day of Older People. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 2 October 2003, from 10 to 11.20 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, will be the moderator. Ms. Alejandra Marta Ayuso, First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, and Ms. Eveline L. Herfkens, Executive Coordinator for the Millennium Development Goals, will be the keynote speakers. A panel discussion on the topic of "Relating the Madrid Plan of Action to the Millennium Development Process" will be held from 11.25 a.m. to 12.25 p.m., as a second part of

the programme. The participants will be Mr. Johan Schlovník, Director, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (as moderator); and Ms. Sonia Elliot, Liaison Officer, UNAIDS, Prof. Naomi Woronov, Author, Director, Community Colleges in China Project; Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Yourtis, Senior Advisor, Office of the Managing Director, World Bank; Mr. Gaoussou Traoré, Social Action Manager, Ministry of Social Development, Solidarity and Older Persons, Mali; and Mr. Alexandre Sidorenko, Chief, Programme on Ageing, DESA. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Tala Dowlatsahi, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859).

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A/58/252	Allocation of agenda items for the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly — Adopted by the General Assembly at its 2nd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2003 [A C E F R S]
A/58/316	Item 76 (a) of the provisional agenda — Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters — Work of the Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/320	Item 41 (d) of the provisional agenda — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance — Participation of volunteers, "White Helmets", in the activities of the United Nations in the field of humanitarian relief, rehabilitation and technical cooperation for development — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/326	Item 119 (a) of the provisional agenda — Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments — Status of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/58/327	Item 95 (d) of the provisional agenda — Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: implementation of the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (resolution 57/246 of 20 December 2002) — Progress towards and challenges and constraints to the achievement of the major development goals and objectives adopted by the United Nations during the past decade — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
	First Committee
A/C.1/58/1	Allocation of agenda items to the First Committee — Letter dated 19 September 2003 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the First Committee [A C E F R S]

Security Council

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Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

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